## Clark, Jacqueline

From: Clark, Jacqueline

Sent: <u>Tuesday, July 02, 2</u>013 11:09 AM

To: Exemptions 6 & 7C - privacy infor...

Cc: Leon, Heriberto; Faryan, Steve Subject: RE: Wedron Ground Water Site

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## Hi Exemptions 6 & 7C - priva...

I'm glad to provide you with an update. As we've previously talked about, our current information shows there are several potential sources of the contamination in Wedron and there may be more. EPA has an obligation to make sure our investigations show the entire picture of the contamination and its causes so that we can make scientific decisions on what would be the best long-term solution for the town. Different causes of contamination may require different solutions.

Some reasons why we haven't reached final agreement yet with the parties for additional investigation are due to the complex technical issues requiring detailed discussion, the need to evaluate additional ground water data, and scheduling conflicts. We continue to make progress on the negotiations and are receiving cooperation from the parties.

We appreciate the urgency you and others in Wedron feel, and we are working diligently to move the clean up process forward.

Thank you,

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From: Exemptions 6 & 7C - privacy information

Sent: Monday, July 01, 2013 9:54 PM

To: Clark, Jacqueline; Faryan, Steve; Leon, Heriberto

Cc: Cha, James

Subject: Re: Wedron Ground Water Site

Dear Ms. Clark,

Thank you for your update on what is going on and what is not going on.

I think it will make a huge difference for the Wedron residents whose wells are poisoned to get "new" clean wells until those wells become poisoned since the source has not been stopped.

Can you be more specific as to what "several months" means? Can you say why none of the parties have made final agreements? How many more parties are you investigating?

Why do you need to wait until assignment of responsibility is completed to determine a long term solution? I believe there are many obvious things to be done to try and expedite this process. My wife and I would like to move closer to our grandchild but cannot even consider the possibility because of this problem.

Also, I truly appreciate the fact that there are professionals handling this disaster on our behalf.

Thanks for understanding my urgency.

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From: "Clark, Jacqueline" < clark.jacqueline@epa.gov>

Date: Monday, July 1, 2013 9:31 AM

To: Exemptions 6 & 7C - privacy information

Cc: "Faryan, Steve" < faryan.steven@epa.gov >, "Leon, Heriberto" < leon.heriberto@epa.gov >

Subject: RE: Wedron Ground Water Site

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We are making progress on a solution for the residents with currently contaminated wells. Steve is working with the LaSalle County Health Department right now to determine if drilling new deep wells for each of those residents is a workable option. In early July, Steve will be talking with the residents who have currently contaminated wells about drilling new deeps wells for them or connecting them to a shared well in the Wilbur-Thompson Park.

We are also moving forward to find a long-term solution for the residents who do not have contaminated wells right now. We are making progress with our negotiations with the companies to have them complete the additional investigation work to identify all the sources of contamination in Wedron, but we do not have final agreements with any of the parties, yet. Reaching agreement with multiple parties often takes several months. After all the investigation is completed then we will start a process to identify and evaluate different clean up options before moving forward with a long-term solution for residents who do not have currently contaminated wells.

Please let me know if you have other questions. Thank you,

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**From:** Exemptions 6 & 7C - privacy information

**Sent:** Saturday, June 29, 2013 12:46 PM

**To:** Clark, Jacqueline **Cc:** Faryan, Steve

Subject: Re: Wedron Ground Water Site

Jacqueline,

Have you been able to get the additional information you needed to get agreement from the polluters on who is responsible for what so remediation can begin?

Thanks,

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From: "Clark, Jacqueline" < clark.jacqueline@epa.gov>

Date: Friday, June 7, 2013 12:27 PM

**To:** Exemptions 6 & 7C - privacy information

Cc: "Leon, Heriberto" < leon.heriberto@epa.gov >, "Faryan, Steve" < faryan.steven@epa.gov >

Subject: FW: Wedron Ground Water Site

Hi Exemptions 6 & 7C - pr... as you requested from me at the public meeting on the Wedron site this Wednesday, below is the email I sent to you in March with a list of the parties EPA contacted to request entering in an order on consent with EPA. As I shared with you on Wednesday, the only additional name to the list is BP.

Thank you, Jacquie

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From: Clark, Jacqueline

Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2013 9:42 AM

To: Exemptions 6 & 7C - priva...

Cc: Leon, Heriberto; Faryan, Steve

Subject: RE:

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EPA sent letters to the following parties on February 1, 2013 requesting each party's participation in a meeting to discuss negotiating an order on consent with EPA:

Illinois Railway, LLC
OmniTRAX, Inc.
Wedron Silica Company
Fairmount Minerals, Ltd.
Technisand, Inc.
GRAINCO FS, Inc.
Inette M. Godman
The Inette M. Godman Trust

## Wedron Lots 1-2, Block 9 L.L.C. Lockheed Martin Corporation

Thank you, Jacquie

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**From:** Exemptions 6 & 7C - privacy information

**Sent:** Friday, March 22, 2013 3:56 PM

**To:** Clark, Jacqueline

Subject: Re:

Jacquie,

I got in touch with a guy from Waterkeepers Aliance and he has requested the names of the other potential polluters. Can you share that info before the April 3rd meeting?

It would help a lot.

Thanks,

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From: "Clark, Jacqueline" < clark.jacqueline@epa.gov>

**Date:** Thursday, March 14, 2013 11:07 AM **To:** Exemptions 6 & 7C - privacy information

Cc: "Leon, Heriberto" < leon.heriberto@epa.gov >, "Faryan, Steve" < faryan.steven@epa.gov >

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Thank you for taking time this morning to talk with me about the Wedron Ground Water Site. I would appreciate any information you have on train derailments in Wedron. Please feel free to call me, Steve Faryan, or Heriberto Leon with any additional questions.

Regards,

Jacquie Clark

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